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Select Poetry.

LYRIC OF ACTION.

'Tis the part of a coward to brood
O'er the past that is withered and dead:
What though the heart's roses are ashes and dust?
What though the heart's music be fled?
Still shine the grand heavens o'erhead,
Whence the voice of an angel thrills clear on the soul,
"Gird about thee thine armor, press on to the goal!"

If the faults or the crimes of thy youth
Are a burden too heavy to bear,
What hope can re-bloom on the desolate waste
Of a jealous and craven despair?
Down, down with the fetters of fear!
In the strength of thy valor and manhood arise,
With the faith that illumes and the will that defies.

"*Too late!*" through God's infinite world'
From His throne to life's nethermost fires—
"*Too late!*" is a phantom that flies at the dawn
Of the soul that repents and aspires.
If pure thou hast made thy desires,
There's no height the strong wings of immortals may gain
Which in striving to reach thou shalt strive for in vain.

Then up to the contest with fate,
Unbound by the past, which is dead!
What though the heart's roses are ashes and dust?
What though the heart's music be fled?
Still shine the fair heavens o'erhead;
And sublime as the angel who rules in the sun
Beams the promise of peace when the conflict is won!

—PAUL H. HAYNE, in *Harper's Magazine for March.*

The Future vs. the Past.

Little by little the wind is taken out of the sails of the good bark Romance, in which the years of childhood and youth drift so pleasantly along. The shady paths of sentiment through which our grandmothers glided in satin slippers are forsaken, and the girl of to-day in her high-heeled boots storms fearlessly the citadels of science and high art. Alas! the damsel of coming years will never weep over the sorrows of Werther or push the light shallop from the shore with Ellen Douglas. Oh, no! she will never mention the troubadour who lightly touched his guitar, or tell us of the minstrel who returned from the wars, or have a dear gazelle to glad her by the bowers of Bendemeer's stream. The coming boy will perhaps find apologies for Judas and Robespierre; the Adventures of Rasselas and the Travels of Gulliver will not be found in his library, if perchance he own one (for does not Lamartine aver that in the year of our Lord 1900 nothing will be read but newspapers?) and the Thousand Arabian Nights, the wonders of Robinson Crusoe, even John Whopper will become obsolete.

It is not enough that William Tell, with his arrow, and boy, and apple, are pronounced myths; that the stately Pocahontas is described as a dirty little Indian girl thieving about the camp of the white man; and that the beautiful Mary, Queen of Scotts, is said to have been no better than she should be; but now the roof of the dear old Alhambra has tumbled in, and disclosed skeletons which put to flight those visions of delight when we roamed with Irving under lofty ceilings of cedar and vermilion in the "royal abode of Moorish kings, where, surrounded with the splendors and refinements of Asiatic luxury, they held dominion over what they vaunted as a terrestrial paradise, and made their last stand for Spain."

We are unhappy, and we protest, and we sincerely wish that these old fellows like Dr. Prime, who go prowling about seeking what they may devour, would stay at home and mind their own business, and not pain us with such developments as this conversation of his with a recent guide to the Alhambra. "Did you know our countryman, Washington Irving, while he was here?" "Oh, yes; and a nice, worthy gentleman he was, so pleasant always; but then he did not keep very closely to facts. To tell the truth, those are very beautiful stories of Mr. Irving, but the most of them are all in your eye, sir." "But," said the traveller, "Mr. Irving speaks of the good people who lodged here in the Alhambra, and a fair maiden whom he styled Dolores, and a noble young man named Manuel; what became of them?" At which Benzaken, the guide, with a little low laugh, and not knowing the mischief he was doing, said Dolores was a coarse and dowdy drudge, whom Mr. Irving's imagination had invested with purely rhetorical charms. He went further, and said one of the family whom Mr. Irving mentioned had been killed in a street brawl, and that the whole race had passed into deserved oblivion. But neither traveller nor guide can deprive us of the impressions made on the mind years ago; and still we fancy we behold the sun behind the purple mountains of Alhama; the wilderness of roses where the nightingale sang all day long; the nun, the bandit, the priest, and the soldier; and we strain our ears for the tinkle of the castanet, or the last sigh of Boabdil at being expelled from such a kingdom and such an abode.—*N. Y. Sun.*

Chevalier Bayard's Last Campaign and Death.

The Constable of Bourbon and the Chevalier Bayard had long been friends, and the latter now used every effort to reconcile the high-spirited soldier with the many enemies which the intrigues of the vindictive Duchesse d'Angouleme had excited against him. Unfortunately for France, his efforts were not successful; Bourbon was driven to revolt, and joined the emperor, who immediately appointed him to the command of the Army of Italy. The French, who had again lost Milan, were led by Admiral Bouniyet, to whose aid the king sent Bayard; but the gallantry of a subordinate could not atone for the errors of the commander. Bourbon was successful at all points, and defeated his own countrymen on every occasion. Hard pressed in the valley of Aosta, at the passage of the Sesia, the French leader was wounded, and resigned command of the army to Bayard. Placing himself at the head of his troops, he beat back the enemy, but on approaching the bridge was mortally wounded by a stone shot from an arquebuse. "Have mercy on me, Jesus!" he exclaimed, and sank on his saddle-bow. He was lifted from his horse and placed under a tree, his face, as he desired, turned toward the enemy, and holding the cross-hilt of his sword before him like a crucifix, he calmly awaited his end. Some Swiss soldiers offered to carry him on their lances, but he declined, saying that his hour had come, and he wished to pass it tranquilly in prayer. The enemy, instead of rushing upon their prey, as was the barbarous custom of those semi-savage days—days which we can not, with Burke, regret that they are past—formed, when they heard that the dying man was the illustrious Bayard, a silent and respectful circle around him. The Constable of Bourbon was deeply affected, and expressed great sorrow at seeing his former companion in arms in so afflicting a situation. "Grieve not for me," said the hero; "I die in the discharge of my duty, fighting for king and country; but rather grieve for yourself, who are in rims against them."

The Marquis of Pescara had a tent placed over him, and a priest at his bedside to soothe his last moments. After making his confession and sending his adieux to his king and country, he died, surrounded by weeping friends and admiring foes, April 30, 1524, in the forty-eighth year of his age. With his fall the campaign was closed. The French lost everything—standards, ordnance, and baggage. It was no longer an orderly retreat, but a rout, like the flight of the French from Waterloo. Bourbon said, when Bayard's death was announced to him, "France little knows how great is the loss she has sustained this day." Like his German contemporary, Frousperger, and many other great soldiers of the sixteenth century, Bayard had a detestation of fire-arms, as if he had a presentment that he was to fall by one. "It is a shame," he often said, "that a brave man should be killed by a miserable popgun against which he cannot defend himself.—JAMES GRANT WILSON, in *Harper's Magazine for March*

So much of our early gladness vanishes utterly from our memory; we can never recall the joy with which we laid our heads on our mother's bosom or rode on our father's back in childhood; doubtless that joy is wrought up into our nature, as the sunlight of long-past mornings is wrought up in the soft mellowness of the apricot; but is gone forever from our imagination, and we can only *believe* in the joy of childhood. But the first glad moment in our first love is a vision which returns to us to the last, and brings with it a thrill of feeling intense and special as the recurrent sensation of a sweet odor breathed in a far-off hour of happiness. It is a memory that gives a more exquisite touch to tenderness, that feeds the madness of jealousy, and adds the last keenness to the agony of despair.

The ladies say they don't care half as much about whether "gold is going to par or not as whether it is coming to me."

Agricultural.

Plowing Deep and Shallow.

The case is well stated in the following brief article from a correspondent of the *Country Gentleman:*

I suppose it is an unsettled question as to whether deep or shallow plowing is the best. After all the discussions I have seen on the subject have been compared with my own experience, I am fully convinced that deep plowing is the best; and if most soils, except sandy or gravelly, could have further addition of subsoiling, the benefit would be still more visible. If underdraining is beneficial, then subsoiling will be; for the nature of the two operations is similar, though one may be preferable to the other. If the soil is naturally deep, the farmer who plows eight or nine inches deep will have much the advantage over the one who plows only four or five inches; the former soil would not become exhausted so quickly, and it would stand drouth much better. If the soil is shallow, then you can improve upon nature, and make it more fertile by gradually plowing deeper. If the roots of plants incline to go down after fertilizing material, and moisture in time of drouth, reason teaches that by stirring the soil thoroughly and deeply we shall get the best results. If this is not the case, why do crops on those lands in Jefferson county, where the rock is near the surface, prove an entire failure in time of drouth? A man from Herkimer county told me that on farms where they plowed deepest and plowed in the manure, they could now keep forty cows where only thirty were kept before. They had dug down two feet and put in manure, covering with the same soil they took out; the place could be seen by a larger growth of grain. Two years ago, I broke up a piece of rather mucky soil. I put on three horses, and plowed it fully nine inches deep, and planted it in corn. The corn was heavy. Last year I sowed it in oats, and seeded it down. This year, though the drouth was very severe, the hay crop was good.

About sixteen years ago, two Englishmen settled on Long Island. They purchased a small piece of land for the purpose of gardening for the New York market. Their land was badly worn out, and something must be done to fertilize it for gardening purposes. As they had not the means for buying and hauling manure; they enriched by digging it all over two feet deep and filling the bottom with small stones. The result was that their garden was more productive than some others where large quantities of manure were applied. This will prove that there is some truth in the words of the poet:

"Plow deep while sluggards sleep;
You will have corn to sell and to keep"

Home Adornments.

Those who have money and taste can easily surround themselves with beautiful things in their homes. Plain, bare walls are not attractive, and those blank sufaces always need something to break and relieve the monotony. The glorious light of a mountain sunset, caught and imprisoned on a painter's canvas; the free, broad roll of the blue, bounding billows, or the angry dash of the foam capped surf on the shore, may be bought for money, and may well be worth more as educational and refining influences than any value in paper or coin that may be given in exchange. But people who have taste and have not money need not be disheartened! Nothing is cheaper than beauty, and nothing is more accessible. A bright cluster of autumn leaves pinned upon a parlor wall, or a feathery group of ferns will have an artistic effect quite as fine and quite as true as any other bit of color. The white and purple immortelles which have bloomed in their serenity by the roadsides this autumn, will keep their tints and shapes all winter in the mantle vase. Grasses, of which the varieties are a legion, make beautiful winter bouquets, either dried or crystalized with alum, and ivies, trailing vines, geraniums with vivid blossoms, will light up and beautify the very plainest rooms. Nothing is prettier than perfect simplicity, and some of the loveliest interiors we have ever seen have cost very little in dollars and cents.—*Hearth and Home.*

A Connecticut man is going to move out of the State right away, because the trustees of a cemetery object to his raising onions on his cemetery lots.

An ingenius farmer is training a flock of swallows to skim his milk.

For the Transcript.

Time and Eternity.

We sometimes conceive of time as cutting eternity in two, or as pushing it aside, as of things mutually exclusive. But is it not rather true that eternity streams through time something like force through matter? Time is a mode of coming and going; eternity of being and abiding. The one of flux and reflux; the other of equipoise and calmness. Time reaches a point, and that moment leaves it; eternity holds its own at once, and forever. Time distributes itself through the past and future; eternity gathers itself up in an all concentrating now.

So far from being true, therefore, that one passes from time to eternity, as into some new and untried state, he may be comprehended at one and the same moment, in these two circles of spheres of being. That is to say, the roots of his nature may so strike down into the essential being and abiding, which is to say into the timeless being and life of God, that time comprehends his mortal point; therefore, whatever becomes of that animal nature which collects and vanishes through successive movements, the rational nature, whose self-determining power is irrespective of time, and not subject to it. Therefore, again, instead of vanishing with the other, he that doeth the will of God abideth forever. Not shall abide, but abideth now, as being centred in the timeless and changeless will of God. Too true is it that, as being a partaker of the divine nature, he is rooted in the "I am" forever.

As death leaves us, then, eternity finds us, because we are in it now; in it as to spiritual essence and personal identity, and in that concentration in good or evil whose fruit in kind is evermore the same. This is life eternal, that they should know Thee, the only true God, and Jesus Christ whom thou has sent. GRACE.

Hundreds of men have no time to get acquainted with their children. They see in a general way that they are clean and wholesome looking, they pay the quarterly school bills, and they grudge no expense in the matter of shoes and overcoats. They dimly remember that they once courted their wives, and said tender things in pleasant parlors, where the cheerful gaslight sheds its glow, or on moonlight evenings under the rustling leaves. The time for that has quite gone by, and they would feel as bashful as a school boy reciting a piece, were they to essay a compliment to the lady at the other end of the table. They have forgotten that home has its inalienable rights, and among them first and chiefest, the right to their personal presence. Nothing rests a man or woman who has been busy about one set of things, better than a total change of employment or feeling. A nap on the lounge is all very well, but after a half hour of it, if the most tired man will shake off dull sleep, and have a romp with the children, or a game of bo-peep with the baby, he will be rested much more thoroughly than if he drowse away the whole evening, as too many business men do.—*Hearth and Home.*

How to Keep a Situation.

An observing correspondent in the *Western Rural* gives the following hints on the above subject;

Be ready to throw in an odd half hour or an hour's time when it will be an accommodation, and don't seem to make a merit of it. Do it heartily. Though not a word be said, your employer will make a note of it. Make yourself indispensable to him, and he will lose many of the opposite kind before he will part with you.

Those young men who watch the clock to see the very second their working hour is up—who leave, no matter what state the work may be in, at precisely the instant—who calculate the extra amount they can slight their work, and yet not get reproved—who are lavish of their employer's goods—will always be the first to receive notice, when times are dull, that their services are no longer required.

A Terrible Weapon.—A new gun, the invention of Jas P. Taylor, of Knoxville, Tennessee, is being tried at Colt's armory, Hartford, Conn. The Springfield Republican says:—It is claimed that it will discharge 800 balls a minute, and has been known to discharge 1,200. There are twenty-four barrels, sixteen in the outer circle and eight inside. They do not revolve, but are all convergent, so that at 500 yards the balls will all strike within a circle of one foot. It is a terrible weapon. Arrangements are in progress for their manufacture at Colt's.

Puzzles.

There are two things that puzzle me. One is, the amount of misplaced virtue in the world; that is to say, the immense quantity of downright goodness scattered around among the commonest sort of people; among people about whom there are no social safeguards whatever, and who would be quite up to the moral standard of their neighbors if they gave a loose rein to all manner of passion. I tell you, when a man who has been surrounded with pure influences—I do not mean with austerity or fanaticism, from which he would be likely to suffer reaction—when a man who has breathed no atmosphere but that of moderation and decorum looks back upon his own life, and trembles at his hundred hair-breadth 'scapes from utter ruin, of one kind or another, he cannot help wondering what keeps the unprotected classes from going altogether and utterly to the bad. It was one of the best saints out of the calendar who declared himself competent to commit any crime under the sun of which he had ever heard, and what it is that keeps the average sinner from going straight through the criminal list, it is hard to tell.

The other puzzle is how the ordinary human is able to bear up against the enormous weight of suffering imposed upon him—not simply the misery of which the papers tell under startling head-lines, or in little paragraphs that travel the rounds of the press, and startle you now and then with their grim and grufsome humor—not simply the distress which is the subject of charity reports, and governmental statistics—not simply the obvious examples of quiet endurance, the heroic men and women whose lives are one long self-sacrifice—not simply these, but the absolute discomfort and pain, physical, moral, and æsthetic, that is borne by almost every human being in the world, with such nobility of endurance that the croaker and complainer is so much the exception that he is pointed at with scorn, and shunned by his fellows as an anomaly and a nuisance.—"*The Old Cabinet;*" *Scribner's for March.*

A ludicrous case of mistaken identity occurred in Montreal recently through the unfortunate resemblance of two young gentlemen. One of them was recently married, and the other still a bachelor. The married person went to a dinner party, while the unmarried one went to a convivial entertainment, and, owing to a miscalculation of his capacity for wine, he spoiled his night's amusement. While a glimmer of reason remained he endeavored to get home. By the time the young man reached a cab-stand his mind had become so confused that he was unable to remember his own name or the street in which he lived. As he was engaged in gesticulating to the cab-driver, a friend of the married gentleman noticed his plight, and, confounding his identity, pushed him into a cab, whispered to the driver, and continued on his way. The result of this act was the conveyance of the unmarried man to the home of the married man, where his condition created anything but a pleasant surprise. The wife was, of course, mortified. Subsequently the father-in-law entered the room to remonstrate with him. After wasting much good advice, the father-in-law discovered the mistake, and was in the act of trying to persuade his daughter, probably much against her will, that the young man was not her husband, when the real husband put an end to the dispute by letting himself in at the hall door with a latch key.

An Incident of Beyroot.—One of the most pathetic instances of pure Orientalism that ever came to my knowledge is related as a positive fact. While the children of the Abeih school were playing together one day at recess, two small girls fell into pleasant dispute as to the size of a certain object—plaything, perhaps. One said, "Oh, it was so *very* little!" and the other asked, "How little?" Then the missionary looked out of the window, and heard her answer, "Why, a little wee thing." Then the other pressed her still further, "Well, *how* little?" to which the girl replied, unconscious of the poetry or the pathos of her comparison, "As little as was the joy of my father on the day I was born!"—*Rev. Charles S. Robinson; Scribner's for March.*

A certain army surgeon applied to the Sanitary Commission for "consecrated beef and desecrated vegetables."

A bachelor friend compares a shirt-button to life, because it so often hangs by a thread.

Wit and Humor.

A family named Kemper moved into a house in our street last week, writes Max Adeler, and Benjamin P. Gunn, the life insurance agent, who lives in the same row, was the first caller. He dropped in to see if he could not take out a policy for Mr. Kemper. Mrs. Kemper came down to the parlor to see him.

"I suppose," said Gunn, "Mr. Kemper has no insurance on his life."

"No," said Mrs. Kemper.

"Well, I'd like to get him to take out a policy in our company. It's the safest in the world, the largest capital, smallest rates and biggest dividends."

"Mr. Kemper don't take much interest in such things now," said Mrs. K.

"Well, madam, but he ought to, in common justice to you. No man knows when he will die, and by paying a ridiculously small sum now, Mr. Kemper can leave his family in affluence. I'll hand you, for him a few pamphlets containing statistics upon the subject, may I?"

"Of course, if you wish to."

"Don't you think he can be induced to insure?" asked Gunn.

"I hardly think so," replied Mrs. K.

"He is in good health, I suppose! Has he complained lately of being sick?"

"Not lately."

"May I ask if he has any considerable wealth?"

"Not a cent."

"Then of course he must insure. No poor man can afford to neglect such an opportunity. I suppose he travels sometimes; goes about in railroad cars and other dangerous places?"

"No, he keeps very quiet."

"Man of steady habits, I s'pose."

"Very steady."

"He is just the very man I want," said Gunn. "I know I can sell him a policy."

"I don't think you can," replied Mrs. Kemper.

"Why? When will he be home: I'll call on him. I don't know any reason why I shouldn't insure him."

"I know," replied Mrs. K.

"Why?"

"He has been dead for twenty-seven years!" said the widow.

Then Gunn left all of a sudden. He will not insure any of the Kempers.

An Episcopal Difficulty.—At one time during the late war our troops made a sweeping advance through Arkansas, and, under general instructions, took possession of every prominent official of church or state and sent him back under custody until his *status* should be determined. Among the former was the Rev. Dr. Lay, then Missionary Bishop of the Protestant Episcopal Church for that jurisdiction, and well known for his zealous and efficient labors.

The rector of the little parish at Camden complained of frequent attacks made upon the discipline and polity of his church by a Methodist brother who was ministering to a large congregation in the same place. The bishop's temporary detention took place during a great revival among the Methodists, and was considered too good a thing to be lost. Accordingly the pastor of the flock announced it, during "evening meeting," thus: "You may not know, brethren, how these 'Episcobals' git religion, so I'll tell you. They have a bishop come round about once a year, and the minister he sets 'em all up in a row, and the bishop fastens his hands down on to their heads, and *that's* the way they do it; but" (making a long pause) "they can't git no religion now, *fur Old Abe's got their bishop.*"—EDITOR'S DRAWER, in *Harper's Magazine for March.*

Mr. Maguire's Christmas Gift.—It was about two o'clock on Friday morning that Mrs. Maguire, thinking she heard a noise in the kitchen, crept out of bed and to that room, to see if it was not Maguire, who had been expected for several hours. On reaching the kitchen, she found her lord and master sitting on the floor, with his new silk hat between his knees; and in the hat several dried herrings and about two quarts of water. Maguire was eyeing the mixture with profound gratification.

"Peter Maguire!" screamed the lady. "What are you doing?"

"Me?" inquired Mr. Maguire, with a look of surprise. "Why, Matildy, I'm (hic) starting an (hic) aquarium for you at Christmas!"

When are eyes not eyes? When the wind makes them water.

An Honest Man.

Mr. Peter A. Dey was the engineer who surveyed and located the first hundred miles of the road. He estimated its cost at not over thirty thousand dollars a mile. When this estimate was shown to the Directors, it was returned to him with orders to re-touch it with higher colors, to put in embankments on paper where none existed on earth, to make the old embankments heavier, and to increase the expense generally; and then he was requested to send in his estimate that it would cost fifty thousand a mile. When Mr. Dey found that this part of the road was to be let to Hoxie at $50,000 per mile, for work which he knew could be done for $30,000—this difference of $20,000 a mile, amounting to two millions of dollars on the first hundred miles, and to five millions on the two hundred and forty-six miles—he resigned his position as chief engineer, with a noble letter to John A. Dix, president of the road. He closed that letter with this statement:—"My views of the Pacific Road are, perhaps, peculiar. I look upon its managers as trustees of the bounty of Congress. * * * You are, doubtless, informed how disproportioned the amount to be paid is to the work contracted for. I need not expatiate on the sincerity of my course, when you reflect upon the fact that I have resigned the best position in my profession this country has offered to any man!"—"*The Credit Mobilier;*" *Scribner's for March.*

The Delaware and Maryland Fruit Region.—Under the above caption, the Philadelphia *Star* editorially says;

It is confidently predicted by those who profess to know that in less than ten years the Delaware and Maryland peninsula will be one of the richest sections of the country. The immense progress made in fruit growing, the multiplication of facilities for transportation to market, the constantly increasing demand for fruits in the large cities within convenient reach, and the great consumption, for drying and canning purposes, coupled with the peculiar adaption of the soil to such fruits as peaches, strawberries, blackberries, raspberries and such vegetables as asparagus, sweet corn, etc., give to this region marked advantages.

Land is held at a moderate figure, and the prices obtained for products of the character are very remunerative. There are evidently stronger inducements offered to industrious men of small means in this paradise of fruit growers than in the far West. What it cost to carry a family to Kansas or Nebraska will pay for a small farm on the Delaware and Maryland peninsula, ready to be worked, and with good constant markets always with convenient access.

A Beautiful Thought.—God knows what keys in the human soul to touch, in order to draw out its sweetest and most perfect harmonies. They may be the minor strains of sadness and sorrow; they may be the loftier notes of joy and gladness. God knows where the melodies of nature are, and what discipline will bring them forth. Some, with plaintive tongues, must walk in the lowly vales of life's weary day; others in loftier hymns, sing of nothing but joy as they tread the mountain tops of life, but they all unite without discord or jar as the ascending anthem of loving and believing hearts finds its way into the chorus of the redeemed in heaven.

Standard of Charity.—Men measure up their charities by a peculiar standard. A man who has but a dollar in his pocket would give a penny for almost any purpose. If he had a hundred dollars he might give one dollar; carry it higher and there comes a falling off. One hundred would be considered too large a sum for him who has ten thousand, while a present of one thousand would be deemed miraculous from a man worth one hundred thousand, yet the proportion is the same throughout, and the man's penny, the widow's mite, is more than the rich man's high-sounding and widely trumpeted benefaction.

The Will to be Trained not Broken.—Men often speak of breaking the will of a child, but it seems to me they had better break their necks. The will needs regulating, not destroying. I should as soon think of breaking the legs of a horse in training him, as a child's will. I would discipline and develop it into harmonious proportions. I never yet heard of a will in itself too strong, nor of an arm too mighty, or a mind too comprehensive in its grasp, or too powerful.

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MIDDLETOWN, DEL.

SATURDAY MORNING, FEBRUARY 28, 1874.

We beg our friends to excuse us this week. We have been so hardly pressed that we could scarcely get out at all. Our local department, however, will be found full as usual. Many very interesting communications are necessarily deferred until next week, when we will endeavor to make up for all deficiencies.

The temperance movement in Washington is to begin on Saturday. As a preliminary, notices have been sent to several saloon-keepers, entreating them, for their own spiritual welfare and the preservation from ruin of the husbands and sons of the crusaders, to abandon the business of selling intoxicating liquors. The circular concludes thus: "We will be at your place of business to pray with you on next Saturday. Come with us, we will do you good, and may God have mercy on your soul!"

[Communicated.]

Tableaux and Charades at Odessa.

Tableaux, Terrapins and Oysters has been the burden of every song for some days in our town. All has been hustle and confusion in preparing for the great event which was intended to aid in replenishing the coffers of the Presbyterian church.

The agony is at last over and this morning

"I feel like one who treads alone, some banquet hall deserted," &c.

On Tuesday night the first scenes of the grand tableaux and festival which has been in preparation for some days, came off. The attendance was very large, and the "Presbyterian Opera House," as it has been termed was crowded to its utmost capacity. All were there, and bright the lamps shone o'er fair women and brave men. The hall below stairs was handsomely decorated with the Stars and Stripes. The stage occupied one corner of the room and was so arranged as to give the greatest scenic effect possible. The entertainment consisted first, of a series of tableaux, representing events in ancient, as well as modern history. Kings, Queens, Courtiers, Warriors and Lovers strutted their brief hour upon the stage. The costumes were appropriate, the actors well selected, and the parts all admirably performed. One little episode was so lifelike as to bring down the house, viz: in a courting scene where a poem was read, descriptive of the positions assumed by the actors. When this line was pronounced: "And then he up and kissed her," the love-sick swain, who was gazing with so much earnestness and affection into the eyes of his sweetheart could not resist the attraction, the sweet lips placed so temptingly near him was more than he could stand, and apparently in spite of himself, as the needle to the magnet his lips were drawn to hers. Mrs. Grundy thought this not altogether *a propos*, but the burst of applause, which drowned the quick cry of surprise that came from the fair one, showed that many of the audience excused, even if they did not justify the act, and if thoughts could be known, no doubt it would have appeared that many a one envied the wrong doer.

Between the scenes, music with its voluptuous swell greeted the ear. The efforts of the performers were excellent and duly appreciated. A young lady from Philadelphia contributed much by her performance on the piano to the accompaniment of her sweet voice to the evening's entertainment.

Before and during the intermission, and after the close of tableaux, the supper-room above staire displayed a scene of festivity and rejoicing. A number of small tables had been prepared, round which sat happy parties enjoying the good things which had been so lavishly prepared for their benefit; oysters fried, stewed and panned; terrapins dressed as Mrs. H and Mrs. C. know bow to fix them; chicken salad, a dish which, when prepared by Mrs. P. and Mrs. J. C., might well be selected to accompany the fabled nectar of the Gods. Roast turkey, with lobster-salad, and coffee, and tea, and bread and butter, completed this part of the bill of fare. At another table, graced by youth and beauty, cakes of varied form and kind, ice cream, chocolate, lemon and vanilla, orange-ice and fruit were diplayed, and were sent round to the different parties who called for them.

The ladies vied with each other in waiting upon the tables. The visitors nobly did their duty and the manner in which the tables were cleared and replenished gave undisputed evidence that all seemed to be actuated by an earnest desire to combine charity with pleasure as much as possible.

On Wednesday night notwithstanding the inclemency of the weather the entertainment was exactly like the night before, only a good deal better—all enjoyed themselves, the young, the old, the middle aged, and all went merry as a marriage bell. True, some little confusion did occur in the crowd about the close, and this no doubt satisfactorily accounts how one well known gentleman of our place, in his anxiety to assist his wife, happened to get his arm around somebody else's *fair* one's shoulders, and never knew of his mistake until the gentle tones of his wife called *his* attention to the situation. The net profits of the entertainment will be about two hundred and fifty dollars. You missed much Mr. Editor by not being present. Next time may you be present to see.

Odessa, February 26th, 1874.

It still continues to be doubted in England by persons who are presumably competent to judge, whether the reports of Dr. Livingstone's death are to be relied on.

Local and State Affairs.

[Communicated.]

Bal Masque at New Castle.

DEAR TRANSCRIPT;—You have heard from us before this winter in regard to our "Theatricals," and the success which attended all the entertainments, therefore, I will vary my communication and give you a short account of our "Bal Masque" which, on Thursday evening, the 17th inst., concluded this season's gaieties.

At 9 o'clock, P. M. the spacious parlors of our kind hostess, Mrs. E. T., were filled with a motley assemblage of *almost* everything "under the sun" in the way of individuals. Among the most conspicuous were three "Sisters of Charity," Miss M., Miss G., a Washington lady, and the lovely Mrs. J., in the accustomed garb of black gowns, immense flapping bonnets and rosaries. Four old women, Miss L., Miss K. L., Mrs. L. and Miss T., in their quaker dress with knitting in hand, created much amusement, as they sat apart from "this world's vanities" croning together in a corner. The "Swiss Peasant Girl," Miss S. B. R., defied all recognition in her croquettish costume, while the "Highland Lassie," in scotch plaid, cap and boddice, was charmingly represented by Miss P. T. The "Gipsy Countess," Miss T., from near Delaware City, was effectively gotten up, and her dark beauty suited the character admirably. The "Child of the Regiment," Mrs J. H. R., was one of the prettiest costumes present, and with short dress trimmed with red, soldier's jacket, cap, knapsack and gun, formed a lovely picture. The "Goddess of Liberty," Miss R., was also well represented, and as she stood in her becoming "liberty cap" with flag unfurled, no doubt more than one luke warm patriot was suddenly inspired with love of—country. "Night" in "trailing garments of black" spangled with golden stars and ornsent, was well represented by the stately Miss R. of Penna. "Morning" Miss M. from Burlington, looked very lovely in fleecy white with silver stars and wand. Miss C. R. M. the "Gipsy Fortune Teller" in short black skirt, scarlet drapery, gipsy hat and cards in hand, plied her vocation unceasingly. "Flora McFlimsy," Miss J. J.; was truly a "fine bird;" while the "Pirate's Bride" a tall, dark, stylish lady suggested her character immediately. Miss A. T. as "Queen Elizabeth" looked very well, even under the shadow of night. "Mrs. Partington," represented to the life by Miss V., (our talented actress) condescended to be present, altho' "Ike was to home bad with the measles." A "Cadet," resplendent in brass buttons, Mr. E. I. K. was very handsome, while "Brother Jonathan" created a burst of amusement wherever he went. Mr. M. B. as a "Rooster" crowed at the most unexpected times, and the "Fireman," Mr. J. H. R., gave orders energetically through his hideous horn. A number of dominies, nearly all black, moved like visitors from another world, through the throng, defying all efforts at recognition.

At 12 o'clock, refreshments were announced, and masks removed, whereupon ensued a lively scene, laughter at mistakes made; surprised exclamations, &c. Afterwards, dancing and impromptu tableaux were resumed, and at a reasonable hour the guests departed fully satisfied with the evening's enjoyment. ALPHA.

Delaware City Items

[From our Del. City Correspondent.]

The wheat is looking well in this neighborhood—better than for years at this season.

On Saturday the 21st inst., the song of the merry little blue bird was heard here for the first time this season.

Our farmers are taking advantage of the spring-like weather, and are plowing up their fields preparatory to the spring seeding.

The first herring of the season was caught on Monday last. In '72, the first herring was caught January 8th, last year, the first was caught March 11th.

The rot in potatoes has been very general in this neighborhood. We know of one farmer who buried one hundred and twenty-five bushels, and when he came to take them up a few days since, he had but five bushels of good ones.

Gill netting parties have been held quite frequently this winter. At one a few evenings since, a party of eight ladies and gentlemen knit 50½ yards of herring net—to do which they had to tie 50,904 knots. If any other eight can beat that we would like to hear from them.

Last week the paymaster on the Government works was here to pay off the hands. Shortly afterwards, quite a number of them became "Crusaders," not exactly the style of the Ohio, "Crusaders," but were engaged in a "Crusade" *to put down* liquors. Some of them can "dry up" a bar-room very quickly by swallowing—quite a quick as the Ohio "Crusaders" do by praying and singing.

The Odessa Tableaux.

The Exhibition of Tableaux and Charades at Odessa on Tuesday evening was very successful. The Hall in which the exhibition was given was crowded at an early hour, every available seat and standing place being occupied. Though we were on the spot promptly at the hour appointed for opening we were too late to get a seat or a position from which we could see the tableaux, but judging from the many expressions of pleasure from the assembled spectators we feel assured that they were very fine. The music by the Odessa Dew Drops, string band, was, of course, excellent. The hall was handsomely decorated with evergreens and flags and presented a very neat appearance.

Farm for Sale.

We call the attention of persons wishing a good home in a healthy, pleasant neighborhood to the advertisement of Messrs. Reynolds & Co., No. 832 Market Street, of the Biggs Homestead near Summit Bridge. Two hundred acres of choice land, equally productive of Grain, Grass and Fruits; good buildings and fences. A finer property so eligibly located would be hard to find. Examine it.

The Snow Storm.

The storm of Wednesday was a severe one. Snow began falling sometime in the night or very early in the morning and continued to do so all day, a strong wind blowing, and piling the snow in deep drifts, making travelling a thing of difficulty. It was certainly the worst storm of the season.

Wilmington Conference.

The Wilmington Annual Conference of the M. E. Church meets at Salisbury, Md., on the 4th of March. Ample arrrangements have been made to accommodate the preachers. We notice that Rev. Vaughan Smith of this town has been booked to stop with Col. H. S. Graham.—*The Daily Fair.*

The Fair.

The Fair held by the Methodists of this town in the Town Hall during the past week was well attended and quite successful. We have not room to say anything about it this week, but the DAILY FAIR, issued from this office, has kept our people so well posted, that anything more than a mention is unnecessary.

Escape of the Wilm. Bank Burglars.

AIDED FROM THE OUTSIDE.

EBEN FRAZIER OUT TOO.

New Castle, and in fact, the whole county, was thrown into a lively excitement on Wednesday morning by the report that the four cracksmen confined in jail at New Castle for an attempt to rob the Bank of Delaware last fall, had succeeded in making their escape from prison. With lightning velocity the telegraph carried the news from point to point, and soon the escape was known all over the country. Precisely how the escape was effected is not known with certainty, though it is pretty well established that assistance was rendered from the outside. Eben Frazier, convicted of, and sentenced to life-long imprisonment, for the murder of Jno. A. Elinson, of this town, in 1864, escaped with the burglars, and to him is accredited the planning of the release. The manner of the escape, as far as ascertained, seems to have been as follows:—About 1 o'clock on Wednesday morning a dozen masked men arrived in New Castle (coming in a tug-boat, it is supposed) and made their way to the east wall of the jail yard, which they quietly scaled by means of ladders. Arriving in the yard a portion of the gang mounted guard over the door leading from the Warden's apartment, while the others went to work on the window of the cell in which Lawlor and Hulburt were confined. What plan of operation they adopted is not exactly known, but it is supposed that they used a long prize, with which, aided by the two prisoners, they pried out the three iron bars which guarded the window. Both prisoners then lowered themselves from the window to the ground, the distance being only eleven or twelve feet.

By this time, Warden Ridings was aroused by the noise, and started out to see what was the matter. The instant he opened the door leading into the yard, he was seized by those outside, and before he could sound a single note of alarm, was gagged and bound. The entire party, with the exception of some outside guards, then went inside the jail, taking the helpless Warden with them. They first relieved him of his keys with which they unlocked the cell doors, and released "Big Frank," Hope and Eben Frazier.

One of the masked men then threatened to kill him, and rushed upon him with a knife, exclaiming "knife him," but he was prevented from carrying his attempt into execution by one of the burglars, "Big Frank" or Lawlor. The Warden was then carried into the cellar and thrown upon the floor, where, with his feet tied to a post, bound and gagged he was found in the morning, in a condition most pitiable, unable to stand or close his mouth which had been forced open by the gag.

The entire party then left the jail, as quietly as they came and boarding the tug steamed rapidly away. This was about three o'clock, as near that hour parties in New Castle observed a tug steaming up the Delaware, but at the time thought it not an unusual occurrence. It is thought that the party landed at some point on the Jersey shore and then disbanded in various directions.

Since the above was put in type, Frank Carter, alias "Big Frank," has been recaptured, and taken back to jail. The manner of the escape is still a mystery. The discovery of a carriage has exploded the steamboat theory.

The Coming Town Election.

Pursuant to the call in the TRANSCRIPT of Saturday last, a meeting of citizens was held in the office of J. T. Budd, Esq., on Tuesday evening for the purpose of selecting a ticket for town officers, to be voted at the coming election. Mr. E. T. Evans was called to the chair, and E. B. Rice appointed secretary. On motion, a committee consisting of Messrs. S. M. Reynolds, R. E. Smith and Joseph Hanson, was appointed to report a ticket. After consultation the committee reported the following ticket which was confirmed by the meeting:—

CITIZENS' TICKET.

For Commissioners:—Thomas E. Hurn, James H. Scowdrick, J. R. Hall, G. E. Hukill, L. G. Vandegrift.

For Assessor:—Charles E. Anderson.

For Treasurer:—Joseph Hanson.

For Alderman:—E. W. Lockwood.

As usual all were not pleased, and next day another ticket was made and put into the field, as follows:—

CENTENNIAL TICKET.

For Commissioners:—Charles Tatman, Jr., J. M. Cox, Thomas W. Bucke, R. E. Smith, John B. Roberts.

For Assessor:—Charles E. Anderson.

For Treasurer:—Isaac Jones, Sr.

For Alderman:—George Derrickson.

But the discontent did not stop here, and another was formed called the Laboring Man's ticket, and the following candidates nominated:

LABORING MAN'S TICKET.

For Commissioners:—J. F. Ellason, Lewis Miller, John Morrison, Geo. W. Ingram, Wm. J. Ellason.

For Assessor:—Charles E. Anderson.

For Treasurer:—James Culbertson.

For Alderman:—George Derrickson.

Minor Topics.

Sheriff Armstrong advertises the personal property of James Kanely, Jr., to be sold on the 9th of March.

Richard Groves announces himself as a candidate for Coroner subject to the nomination of the Democratic party.

Wm. H. Lambson announces himself as a candidate for Sheriff on the same ticket. See their cards in another column.

Messrs. W. Polk and E. R. Cochran have a large number of superior mules which they are offering at private sale.

On account of the severity of the storm on Thursday, Mr. Samuel Dickinson was compelled to adjourn his Sale until Monday next. His advertisement will be found in another column. This is a large sale, and presents a rare opportunity to persons who want good stock.

It is impossible for us to insert all the communications sent us this week, and we have been compelled to defer the most excellent article of Judge Hamilton until next week. Had we received it earlier we would have published it on the "outside."

Select Readings.

We understand that Rev. George R. Bristor, of Chesapeake City, has been engaged by the Public Library Association of this place to give select readings about the middle of March. Mr. Bristor has quite a reputation as an elocutionist and will no doubt draw a full house. He draws fine houses in Baltimore.

Odessa Items.

[From our Odessa Correspondent.]

The sadest thoughts now fill our minds
And cherished fancies still entwine
For spots where willows waved so long
But which have faded, died, and gone.

Mr. Gilch intends to erect a residence on his lot on High Street during the coming spring.

The young people's prayer meeting is still progressing finely and is increasing in interest.

The presiding elder, Rev. Mr. Hough, preached in the M. E. Church on Sabbath evening, at which service several baptisms were administered.

Mr. Matthews has disposed of his entire stock of goods at auction, purposing to remove to Philadelphia to engage in the commission business.

Evening parties seem still on the programme as the *old* and *young* alike seem to enjoy themselves greatly at these pleasant meetings.

The Missionary Society of the M. E. Sabbath School held their anniversary on last Sabbath at which they made their report to the church for the year.

A runaway occurred a few days since which created some little excitement; as barrels with which the wagon was loaded fell in all directions—however, no one was harmed.

The Chess Club have been forced to leave their old place of meeting, and will have to find other quarters. We suppose they will wait for the summer season and occupy the shady retreats of the President's lawn.

Our "city fathers" have been trying experiments for some time past by lighting the lamps in the latter part of the afternoon and putting them out at sunset, which proves to be an effectual remedy to prevent the waste of oil.

The tableaux passed off smoothly and with credit to all participating. The tableaux were prepared with great taste and the choice eatibles were served in fine style. The whole was a very creditable affair, and reflects credit upon the ladies who took part in its production.

Some of our visiting friends while enjoying a ride were so engrossed in thought as to be wrongly directed and were suddenly startled to find themselves brought to the barn-yard gate of Mr. Polk which they supposed to be a church. Fathers we will have to keep our lamps lighted for a longer time in the evening. HEXICON.

Re-Opening of the Middletown Hotel.

Want of space precludes a pleasant notice of the welcome given by the citizens of Middletown to Mr. Maxwell on last Monday. It will appear in our next.

For the Middletown Transcript.

THE WASHINGTON STREET BRIDGE.—The plan for this new bridge was designed by the American Bridge Co., of Baltimore. The bridge is to be of the iron truss pattern, and will be supported on four piers and two abutments. It will be 500 feet long and of five spans, the principal of which will be the central or creek span, 180 feet in length. On either side of this will be spans 96 feet long, and with the shore spans will complete the structure. Of these last named, the span on the Wilmington side will be 57 feet in length; that on the opposite side 100 feet. From the low water mark to the top of bridge will be 60 feet in distance. The estimated cost of the structure will be from $75,000 to $80,000, all of which expense will be borne by the county. Work will be commenced upon the piers and abutments this spring.

MR EDITOR;—I send you a slip cut from one of the Wilmington papers, giving a description of a bridge that it says is to be built of iron, at Washington street over the Brandywine to cost eighty thousand dollars, but in all probability I think it will cost near one hundred and fifty thousand dollars, and this, mind, to be built by the county. What right have the Levy Court to make such an appropriation for even a doubtful improvement of the city of Wilmington, much less the county? This bridge, if built, would be of very little use to the county at large, and just to please the holders of Brandywine Barren Rock Property along the Brandywine in a small section of the county, the Levy Court, when they know taxes are already enormously high, countenances such an appropriation that will cause the poor tax payer to cast his vote in the coming election against a party that will so recklessly squander the public money of the county on such useless Bridge prospects. The Democratic party have six of the eleven Levy Court commissioners of the county, or one majority, and therefore the Democratic Party will be held responsible for this wasteful extravagance by every Republican Stump Speaker during the campaign. This appropriation act for this useless Bridge in the city of Wilmington at an enormous expense, where nine tenths of the people of the city of Wilmington say it is not needed is perfectly suicidal, in the Democratic Levy Court Commissioners toward the Democratic Party, and if the building of this bridge is not stopped, and the appropriation rescinded by the Democratic members of the Levy Court at their term in March, I will be one person to join with others to go to the Chancellor to lay an injunction on the county treasurer to restrain him from paying out money for said project until a full expose of this bridge-robbing scheme can be laid before the proper tribunal for its decision.

SAMUEL TOWNSEND.

Ex-Gov., Ex-U. S. Senator and Ex-Confederate General Louis T. Wigfall, formerly of Texas, but for several years past a resident of Baltimore, died in Galveston, Texas, where he had arrived but a few days before, on Wednesday last.

Railroad accidents in the United States average one person killed and four wounded every working day in the year.

Business Locals.

Labels for books, packages, boxes, &c., printed on fine gummed paper, can be had at the office of the TRANSCRIPT.

Highest cash price paid for all kinds of grain, by FOARD & COMEGYS.

Judgment Bonds, Notes and other Legal Blanks can be had on application at the TRANSCRIPT Office.

Business Cards, Letter and Bill Heads are printed at the TRANSCRIPT office as neatly and cheaply as can be done elsewhere.

ABLAZE WITH DIAMONDS.—Mrs. Astor, the wife of the hundred millionaire of New York, appeared at a part given at her Fifth Avenue residence one evening last week, at which she litterally blazed with diamonds. On each of her shoulders she had four stars, the size of silver half dollars, made of diamonds. Her hair was set thickly with diamonds, and her head seemed aflame with them. There was a diamond bandeau upon her brow. She had diamond ear-rings, and a diamond necklace of magnificent proportions. Upon the two sides of her chest were two circles of diamonds about the size of the palm of the hand. From them depended lines and curves of diamonds reaching to her waist, around which she wore a diamond girdle. On the skirts of her dress in front were two large peacocks wrought of lines of diamonds. There were rosettes of diamonds on her slippers. There were diamonds, large or small, but in every variety and form, all over her dress and person wherever they could be artistically placed. She presented an extraordinary dazzling spectacle. A connoisseur in precious stones, who was present, says the diamonds she wore could not have cost less than a million dollars.

NAMES FOR IT.—The "whisky-cootie" is the name given by some of the newspapers to the woman's temperance "crusade." The Chicago *Times* designates the movement as "the epigunsloonatic," which means a contagious lunacy among women.

It is proposed to hold an international exhibition in Paris in 1875.

DIED.

On Sunday, the 22d inst., at the residence of her father, C. B. Ellison, Esq., near Kirkwood, Del., Miss Sarah E. Ellison, in her 30th year.

THE MARKETS.

MIDDLETOWN GRAIN MARKET.

CORRECTED WEEKLY BY R. T. EVANS.

Wheat, new	$1 65@1 70
Corn old,	72 cts.
" new "	68 cts.
" White	73 "
" "	73 "
Oats	50 "
Timothy Seed	4 50
Clover "	7 25
Beans	1 25

MIDDLETOWN PRODUCE MARKET.

CORRECTED WEEKLY BY S. M. REYNOLDS.

Eggs	20 cts. ₱ doz.
Butter	30@35 cts. ₱ lb.
Lard	9@10 " "
Dressed Pork	5@6 " "
Potatoes	75@1.00 ₱ bus
Chickens, dressed	13@14 ₱ lb.
Turkeys, dressed	13@15 "
Geese, "	7@8 "
Ducks, "	13@14 "

PHILADELPHIA MARKETS.

Prime red wheat	$1 73@1 77
Corn, yellow	74@76
Oats (Pennsylvania)	58 @ 61
Cloverseed	$6 50
Timothy	3 50

BALTIMORE MARKETS.

Wheat, good to amber	$1 67@1 85
Corn, white	70@75
Corn, yellow	75@78
Oats, Southern	55@58
Rye	98@1 00

For Sale and Rent.

FOR SALE AND RENT.

THE subscriber, intending to retire from the mercantile business, offers for sale his entire stock of Goods, with good will and fixtures, of the store he now occupies.

The Store House (one of the best in Odessa,) is for rent. Also for sale or rent, a nicely located Dwelling, it being newly painted and fitted up, and very convenient.

Also: Granaries and Wharf.

All these properties will be sold or rented together or separately. J. C. MATTHEWS.

Odessa, Jan. 21st, 1874—tf.

FOR SALE.

TWO Houses on Lake Street, Middletown, 7 Rooms each. Price low. Terms easy. Apply to REYNOLDS & CO.,

Fe21-2t 832 Market St., Wilmington, Del.

FOR RENT.

The Brick Dwelling, large garden, and good stable and carriage house on Broad street, opposite the Academy, known as the Crawford Mansion, will be rented low to a good tenant if applied for soon. J. THOS. BUDD,

Feb 14—tf. Agent for E. C. Fenimore

FOR RENT.

THE Store Room in the Town Hall at present occupied by G. W. W. Naudain. Apply to SAMUEL PENINGTON,

Jan. 31—tf. Middletown, Del.

FOR RENT.

ONE Dwelling House on Lake Street and two on Lockwood Street for rent. Inquire of A. G. COX,

Jan 31—1m. for Wm. S. Mont.

FOR SALE.

LEASE (with or without fixture) of Delaware City Hotel. Good location. Very little money wanted. Apply at POST OFFICE,

Jan 24-2w. Delaware City, Del.

FOR SALE OR RENT.

A good Store House & Dwelling, with Stable, &c., on High Street, Odessa, Delaware. Apply to J. THOS. BUDD, Middletown, or WILLIAM W. ARMSTRONG,

Jan 3-8w* Odessa.

FOR RENT.

TWO Store Rooms on Main street, opposite the Peninsular Machine Works, suitable for Millinery or Trimming Store. One of them is at present in the tenure of Mrs. Mary E. Hayes. Apply to J. H. SCOWDRICK.

Jan 24th—tf.

Timothy, Clover, and Orchard Grass SEED.

We are now receiving from the West, a prime article of Clover, Timothy, Orchard Grass and other Field Seeds, which we offer for sale at 55 Commerce Street, Baltimore.

Feb 21—1m. T. W. LEVERING & SONS.

NOTICE!

The annual meetings of the Stockholders in the Building and Loan Association of Odessa, Del. will be held in the Academy in Odessa, on Wednesday, the 4th day of March next, at 7 o'clock, A. M., at which time officers are to be elected for the following year. H. P BAKER.

Odessa, Feb. 20, 1874—2w. Secretary.

New Advertisements.

STATEMENT

OF THE COMMISSIONERS OF MIDDLETOWN, DEL., FOR THE YEAR ENDING MARCH 2d, 1874:

DR.

To balance in hand of Treasurer,	$ 209 81
" Tax levied on real estate and capitation,	1,227 09
" Dog tax,	37 50
" Road commissioners for 1873,	100 00
" Sundry fines,	10 50
From curbing,	22 00
	$1,605 70

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By Chas Adams, for oyster shells, 1872,	$ 40
" C. C. Foster, for services, 1872,	1 00
" J. W. Hayes, balance due for lighting lamps, 1872,	25 00
" Isaac Jones, bill for ladder, 1873,	17 00
" Chas. Tatman, Jr., for sundries, 1872,	1 90
" Allen & Bro., for lamp chimneys,	13 60
" L. G Vandegrift, hauling on streets,	84 11
" Wm. W. Wilson, " " "	68 80
" S. M. Reynolds, " " "	34 50
" Chas. M. Stanger, repr'ng crossings,	19 15
" Jos Holland, for cleaning gutters,	2 00
" " " reparing bridges,	5 00
" E. Reynolds, for printing,	22 50
" J. W. Hayes, for labor on streets,	8 02
" R. E. Smith, for oyster shells,	25 20
" F. VanHekle, for plowing street,	4 00
" Charles Adams, for oyster shells,	4 75
" T. E. Hurn, for attending on streets,	40 50
" J. W. Hayes, for 3 quarters services lighting lamps,	75 00
" J. W. Hayes, for 3 quarters' services as watchman,	150 00
" S M Reynolds, for coal oil,	36 87
" R. H. Foster, for oyster shells,	2 80
" E B. Rice, " " " "	4 20
" S. S. Holton, repairing bridge,	50
" J. B. Roberts, lamps and sundries,	14 80
" Scowdrick & Elinson,	9 90
" Scowdrick & Co., for shovel,	1 65
" C. E. Anderson, for making town assessment, 1872,	20 00
" S R Stephens & Co, for sundries,	25
" C. E. Anderson, broom for street,	1 00
" Middletown Hall Co, use of lock-up,	42 00
" J. B. Fenimore & Co. for lumber, &c,	18 63
" W. H. Barr, for sundries,	18 84
" D. W. C Walker, for use of office,	10 00
" Green & Platt, for fire extinguishers,	540 00
" Errors allowed the treasurer,	21 80
" Commissions allowed the treasurer,	107 42
" Balance in hands of D W C Walker, treasurer,	143 61
	$1,605 70

To balance in hands of D W C Walker, treasurer,	$143 61
There is also due the town for curbing,	65 19
Due the town from sources above mentioned,	$208 80

J. H. SCOWDRICK, Secretary. THOS. E. HURN, President.

Feb 28—1w

POSTPONED

PUBLIC SALE.

The subscriber will offer at Public Sale, on the farm of Mr. Charles Beasten, near Summit Bridge, Delaware, on

MONDAY, MARCH 2ND, 1874,

The following property, consisting of

Twenty Head of Horses and Mules,

2 pair of good young work Mules, one pair of which are extra mules for peach orchard; among the horses are several fine drivers, 1 pair of fine Young Horses, half brothers, of the Rattler stock, coming 7 years old, very well matched, well broken, and gentle single or double: 1 pair of young 4-year-olds, well matched, of same stock, and fine size; 1 sorrel Mare, will be 5 years old in the Spring, will make a fine driver; the balance are good young farm Horses and 3 head of Colts.

TWELVE HEAD OF CATTLE,

1 yoke of Oxen, live weight 3600 lbs., 8 years old; 1 Durham Bull, 3 years old, very large and quiet; 5 head of Milch Cows, some of which will be in profit in the spring, some now fresh; several fine Young Heifers, of good stock, fine size and coming in profit in the spring.

Also, a large lot of

FARMING UTENSILS,

Consisting of Wagons, Ox-carts, Peach Bodies and springs, 1 of which will carry 80 baskets; 1 Pennington Reaper, improved; Wagon Harness, Collars, Bridles, Plow Gears, Plows, Harrows, Cultivators, large Cultivators for Peach Orchards, Forks, Shovels, 1 Roller, 1 Horse Rake, nearly new, and many other articles too tedious to mention.

TERMS.—All sums of $20 and under, cash; on all over that amount a credit of 12 months will be given, by purchaser giving bankable note with approved endorser, interest added.

Sale to commence at 10 o'clock *sharp*.

S. M. ENOS, Auct. SAMUEL DICKINSON.

Feb 7-ts.

SHERIFF'S SALE

BY virtue of a writ of Venditioni Exponas to me directed; will be exposed to Public Sale, at the house of JAMES KANELY, Jr., near Middletown, in Appoquinimink Hundred, in New Castle County, Delaware,

ON MONDAY, MARCH 9th, 1874,

At 10 o'clock, A. M., the following described personal property, viz:

7 HORSES,

1 Colt, 3 Mules, 5 Good Cows, 4 Heifers, 10 Hogs, 14 Shoats, 1 Wagon, 1 Peach Body, 1 Mill Dearborn, 1 York Wagon and Harness, Plows, Harrows, Cultivators, and Farming Utensils, &c., Corn and Wheat, Household Furniture, &c.

Seized and taken as the property of James Kanely, Jr., and to be sold by

ROBERT L. ARMSTRONG, Sheriff.

Sheriff's Office, New Castle, Feb. 23d, 1874.

TERMS: All sums of $20 and under, cash: on sums exceeding that amount a credit of 6 months will be given by purchaser giving a bankable note with approved endorser, interest added.

FOR SALE.

THE Biggs Homestead near Summit Bridge, New Castle County, Del., within 2 miles of railroad and 1 mile of water; 200 ACRES, 7 fields, 15 acres wood, 4000 bearing Peach Trees, 2000 young trees soon in bearing, pears and other fruits, good dwelling, granary, carriage-house, stables and cattle-sheds; land in good state of cultivation. This farm will be sold very low, and $10,000 may remain on the property five years, or ten years, or longer, the balance will be exchanged for Wilmington property in part, and the small remainder in cash. Wm. P Biggs, Esq., residing near Summit Bridge, will kindly show this property to buyers. Apply by letter or in person to Real Estate Agency of

REYNOLDS & CO.,

Fe 28—4t 832 Market St., Wilmington, Del.

SHERIFFALTY.—TO THE ELECTORS OF New Castle County.—Gentlemen: I again offer myself to your consideration as a candidate for the office of Sheriff; subject to the decision of the Democratic Party. And pledge myself to give the nominee a cheerful and hearty support.

Respectfully,

Feb 28—1t. WILLIAM H. LAMBSON.

FOR SALE, CHEAP,

ONE GOOD FARM HORSE, quiet, fast worker, 7 years old. Sold for want of use. Apply to R. L. PRICE,

Feb 28-3w. Middletown, Del.

New Advertisements.

PUBLIC SALE

Of Valuable Personal Property.

The undersigned, intending to discontinue business, will sell at Public Sale, at his residence near Blackbird, on

TUESDAY, MARCH 10, 1874,

His entire stock and farming implements, comprised as follows:

19 Head of Good Horses and Mules:

Known as follows: Nos. 1 & 2, Harry and John a beautiful pair of iron-gray Horses—aged respectively 6 years, fine drivers and good, gentle workers. No. 3, Ben, large black Horse—8 yrs old, good driver, excellent family horse, suitable for a lady to drive. No 4, Crowly, fine bay Mare—8 years old, heavy with foal; suitable for either a brood mare, the road, or farm. No. 5, Sal, roan Mare—perfectly gentle and kind, 5 yrs old. No. 6, Dick, bay Horse—suitable for either the team or farm. No. 7, Julia, good team Mare. No. 8, Sam, a good Horse—9 years old, excellent for the wagon. No. 1, pair of large gray Mules—9 years old, perfectly gentle and good workers. No. 2, pair of gray Mules—6 years old, gentle and reliable, quick steppers, and in every way desirable. No 3 pair of black Mules—4 years old, well broken and perfectly reliable. No. 4, pair of black Mules—4 years old, partially broken, and give every assurance of being perfectly tractable. No. 5, pair of brown Mules—7 years old, gentle and kind, good workers and quick steppers. No. 6, Odd Mule—a very superior animal, gentle and kind.

4 Head of good Milch Cows,

Will be fresh in the Spring; 21 head of Sheep, good size, some with lambs at their sides; Six Shoats Chester co. Whites, weigh about 60 lbs.

9 Wagons, 1 of which is a large log wagon, 2 in on the tread; 2 are iron-axles, nearly new; 1 is a wooden-axle, perfectly new; the others are farm wagons, all in good order. 1 Mill Wagon, in good order, run but a short time, with shafts and pole; 1 York Carriage, in good order, with pole. 3 sets of Single Harness, 2 sets of Double Harness. 20 sets of Wagon Harness, most of them new; 20 Log Chains, both large and small; 2 Blocks and Falls, 1 Sleigh, 1 Grain Fan, 1 good Feed Cutter, Burdick's patent; 2 Wheat Rakes, 6 new working Collars, for which I paid $9 per pair; large lot of Plows and Cultivators, all in good order; 2 Grindstones, lot of Hoes, Forks, Shovels and Spades, 1000 Chestnut Rails, ready pointed; 50,000 feet of wheelwright Lumber, and various other articles too tedious to mention.

TERMS.—On all sums of $20 and under, the cash will be required; on sums over $20 a credit of 6 months will be given, upon the purchaser giving a note or bond, with approved security.

No postponement on account of the weather.

W. A. HUKILL, Auct. S. R WARREN.

Feb 28—ts.

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feb 28—tf.

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Two good Dwelling HOUSES in Ryan's Court just back of Main St., Middletown, containing 4 rooms each; water at the door, good, large gardens, and every convenience for comfort. Also, a good stable and carriage-house near the same place. Rent very reasonable. Apply to

feb 28—tf. MRS. E. L. RYAN.

FOR CORONER. At the solicitation of many friends, I will be a candidate for the nomination for Coroner of New Castle County, subject to the decision of the Democratic Party.

RICHARD GROVES.

Wilmington Hd., Feb. 28, 1874—tn.

WANTED.

A situation in a store as Clerk, by an experienced person: one who understands the business, and will make himself generally useful.

Address, CLERK,

Feb 28-2t. Middletown P. O.

Special Notices.

TAPE WORM. TAPE WORM.

Tape Worm removed in from 2 to 3 hours with harmless vegetable medicine. The worm passing from the system alive. No fee asked until the entire worm, with head passes. Medicine harmless, can refer those afflicted to the residents of this city whom I have cured. At my office can be seen hundreds of specimens, measuring from 40 to 100 feet in length. Fifty per cent. of cases of Dyspepsia and disorganizations of Liver are caused by stomach and other worms existing in the alimentary canal. Worms, a disease of the most dangerous character, are so little understood by the medical men of the present day. Call and see the original and only worm destroyer, or send for a circular which will give a full description and treatment of all kinds of worms, enclose 3 cent stamp for return of the same. Dr. E F. Kunkel can tell by seeing the patient whether or not they are troubled with worms, and by writing and telling the symptoms, &c., the Doctor will answer by mail. DR E. F. KUNKEL, No. 259 N. NINTH ST., PHILADELPHIA, PA. (Advice at office or by mail, free.) Scal, Pin and Stomach worms also removed.

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There is no person living but what suffers more or less with Lung diseases, Coughs, Colds, or Consumption; yet some will die rather than pay 75 cents for a bottle of medicine that would cure them. Dr. A. Boschee's German Syrup has long been known in this world, and its wonderous cures astonishes every one that try it. If you doubt what we say in print, call at your Druggist, or Chamberlaine, Middletown, and get a sample bottle free of charge or a regular size for 75 cents. The same can be had at Baker's Drug Store, Odessa. G. G. GREEN, Sole Manf'r.,

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DR. J. P. FITLER.—Being sworn, says, I graduated at the University of Penn'a in 1 .3, and after 30 years' experience, perfected **Dr. Fitler's Vegetable Rheumatic Elixir.** I guarantee it an infallible cure for Nerve, Kidney and Rheumatic Diseases. Sworn to, this 26th April, 1873. F. A. OSBOURN, *Notary Public, Phila.*

We Clergymen were Cured by it, and will satisfy any one writing us. Rev. Thos. Murphy, D. D., Frankford, Phila. Rev. C. H. Ewing, Media, Pa. Rev. J. S. Buchanan, Clarence, Iowa. Rev. G. G. Smith, Pittsford, N. Y. Rev. Jos. Peters, Falls Church, Phila., &c. Afflicted should write Dr. Fitler, Phila., for explanatory Pamphlet & guarantee, gratis. $50 Reward for an incurable case. No cure no charge; a reality. Sold by druggists. Feb 21-4w.

MARKET HOUSE.

The undersigned would respectfully announce to the public and the citizens of Middletown particularly that he has taken the store-house on North Broad street, Middletown, Del., formerly occupied by David W. Eliason, having bought out his interest, where I will keep always on hand a well-selected stock of choice Groceries, Fruits, and Provisions, as well as a full supply of fresh Vegetables. Also. Fresh and Salt Meat, sliced, at all times. I will also keep an assortment of the

VERY BEST GROCERIES,

at very low prices. My stock will consist of the very best articles that the market can afford, and will give entire satisfaction to the most fastidious epicure. I will keep on hand a supply of Sauces of all kinds, viz: Ketchup, Celery, Horse-Radish. Canned Fruits of all kinds at low prices. Call and see and you will be satisfied. All kinds of Produce bought and satisfaction guaranteed. I will also buy all kinds of Poultry at market prices for cash, and it will be to the interest of all to call on me before selling or purchasing elsewhere. Goods delivered free of charge.
Oct 11-1y S. S. HOLTEN.

C. MAISEL,

TAILOR, (From Paris),

1321 Chestnut Street,

PHILADELPHIA.

21—1y

To the Public.

THE undersigned respectfully informs the citizens of Middletown and vicinity that he is prepared with excellent Horses, Wagons and Carts to do all kinds of hauling at moderate rates. Proprietors of hotels and housekeepers will find it to their advantage to give him a call. Coal and lumber hauled at shortest notice Orders for baggage or other parcels left at the Post Office, will receive prompt attention.

N. B.—75 Loads of good building Sand for sale.
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Jan 17-3ms.

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may 13—tf

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Dec. 10—tf

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Feb 21-3m.

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The undersigned would respectfully call your attention to the choice collections of

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which he is now offering for sale (for breeding purposes) at very low prices, considering the high standard of the their pedigree. The varieties consist of the following:

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P. S.—In order to make room for other breeding fowls, I will sell for *thirty days* Buff Cochins and White Leghorns for $5.00 per pair.
January 17, 1874—1yr

PUBLIC SALE!

The undersigned, intending to relinquish house keeping, will sell at Public Auction, at his residence in Middletown, on

THURSDAY, MARCH 5th, 1874.

the following described personal property;

HOUSEHOLD AND KITCHEN FURNITURE:

1 pr cushion table (6ft); 1 doz. cane seat chairs, good as new; 4 doz. windsor chairs; 1 sewing machine; 1 lounge; 4 window curtains; 5 bedsteads, in good order; 1 washstand, bowl and pitcher; 40 yds rag carpet; 20 yds. good matting; 3 good kitchen tables; 2 cook stoves and fixtures; 2 coal scuttles; 1 small coal stove; lot of glass fruit jars; lot of dishes and tinware; 4 wash-tubs; 1 Doty clothes washer; 2 clothes wringers, etc. et.

1 FAMILY CARRIAGE, SHAFTS AND POLE;

1 no-top buggy; 1 set double carriage harness; 1 set single carriage harness; 1 saddle & bridle;

ONE CHESTNUT-SORREL MARE,

fast traveller, and a good family horse; hay by the ton; forks, shovels, lot of barrels, boxes, &c

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Sale to commence at 10 o'clock. No postponement on account of weather.

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ON and after Monday, February 3d, 1874, trains will run over Reading Branch to and from Reading without change of cars, on following time;

Going Northward.			STATIONS.	Leaving Southward		
No. 5.	No 3.	No. 7.		No 2.	No. 4.	No. 6
P. M.	P. M.	A. M.		Noon,	P. M.	A. M.
5 00	3 00	6 30	Wilmington,	12 00	7 00	8 15
6 00	3 50	7 26	Chaddsford,	11 10	7 11	7 26
7 00	4 50	8 16	Coatesville,	10 10	6 10	6 20
	5 55	9 17	Springfield,	9 09	5 07	
	6 35	9 50	Birdsboro',	8 30	4 30	
	7 05	10 20	Reading,	8 00	4 00	

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You will find a splendid line of Ladies', Misses' and Children's Button GAITERS, made to order and of varied styles to make a selection.

Latest styles of HATS constantly on hand. All Goods at city prices.

Extra hand-made French Kip BOOTS and other winter stock now offered at Cost.

R. M. & W. T. JOHNSON,
Feb 21-1y Smyrna, Del.

IN BANKRUPTCY, DISTRICT OF DELAWARE, } ss.

At Wilmington, the Fourteenth day of February, A. D, 1874.

The undersigned hereby gives notice of his appointment as Assignee of John G. Lowber, in the County of New Castle, and State of Delaware, within said District, who has been adjudged a Bankrupt upon Creditors' Petition by the District Court of said District

JOSEPH H. WALKER,
Feb 21-3w. Assignee, &c.

THE THOROUGH-BRED STALLION,

LEGATEE,

Will stand the season at the Hotel of Mr. Gillespie, Warwick, Maryland. Legatee was by Lexington, who was by Boston, by Sarfedom. Was out of Alice Carneal by Imported Trustee. Pronounced by competent judges, *one of the best horses in America.*

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DO NOT FAIL TO CALL BEFORE PURCHASING ELSEWHERE, AS WE WILL MAKE IT TO YOUR ADVANTAGE.

RESPECTFULLY,

W. H. MOORE & CO.,

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THAT NEVER SUSPENDS.

We Always Pay Depositors.

OYSTERS ALL THE TIME.

On and after Friday, Sept. 26, we shall be prepared to furnish Oysters

In and Out of the Shell,

By the Gallon, Quart, or Hundred. We have also made arrangements for the accommodation

Of both Ladies and Gentlemen.

And their orders for

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Will be promptly attended to. Mr. Wm. Kates will have charge of the Oyster Department, and his well-known reputation in the oyster business, we feel certain, will give entire satisfaction to all.

CAKES OF ALL KINDS

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GIVE US A CALL.

Oct 4-1y. E. B. RICE,
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For SASSAFRAS RIVER.

THE steamer "TRUMPETER" being now in complete order, will resume her trips on Saturday, the 1st of March, 1873, leaving Pier No 5, Light street wharf, Baltimore, every Tuesday, Thursday and Saturday, at 10½ A. M., arriving in Georgetown at 4 P. M. Returning will leave Georgetown the alternate days at 8 A. M., arriving in Baltimore at 2 P. M.; touching at Buck Neck, Barnards, Betterton, Turner's Creek, Cassidays, Shallcross, and Fredericktown, going and returning.

We sincerely trust that the friendly relations hitherto existing between the steamer Trumpeter, her patrons, and the public generally, may never grow less; for the perpetuation of which we will ever be found striving our very best.

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NO. 96 PARK PLACE, N. Y.

Poultry for Christmas and New Year a Specialty. In order to secure prompt sales of the poultry we should receive it at least three days prior to each holiday.

Consignments solicited. Dec 13-1y.

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THE undersigned, heretofore doing business under the name of E. Jefferson & Son, has this day entered into co-partnership with George W. Morrison, under the firm name of W. H. JEFFERSON & CO., for the transaction of the grain and general shipping business.

W. H. JEFFERSON.

New Castle, Del., December 3d, 1873-tf.

W. H. JEFFERSON. GEORGE W. MORRISON.

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PLOWS and Plow Castings, Machine Castings of all kinds on hand or made to order

Particular attention given to Repairing Machinery. Cash for old Iron.

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COAL, LIME, FLOUR,

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Best Lehigh and Schuylkill anthracite and Cumberland bituminous Coals on hand at all times.

Oct 18-tf.

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FOARD & COMEGYS,

Grain Commission Merchants,

AND WHOLESALE AND RETAIL DEALERS IN

Lime, Fertilizers,

COAL.

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Sole agents for

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Also agents for the

SOLUBLE PACIFIC GUANO,

Which we can sell on terms to suit the tightness of the times.

All kinds of COAL constantly on hand, and for sale at the very lowest cash rates.

STANTON MILLS

BEST BRANDS OF FLOUR.

Having opened our new store opposite the National Hotel, we will at all times keep on hand a full supply of the above articles, and hope, by a strict attention to business, to merit a share of the public patronage. [Aug 30-1y.

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J. B. FENIMORE & CO

OPPOSITE THE DEPOT,

MIDDLETOWN, DELAWARE,

DEALERS IN ALL KINDS OF

Lumber and Hardware,

BRICKS, LIME, HAIR, SASH, DOORS, BLINDS

MOULDINGS, PAINTS, OILS,

GLASS, ETC. ETC.

Constantly on hand all Kinds of

Building Material.

January 15—tf

Register's Order.

REGISTER'S OFFICE.

New Castle County, February 2d, 1874.

Upon the application of G E Hukill, Administrator c. t. a. of Samuel Dale, late of St Georges Hundred in said County, deceased, it is ordered and directed by the Register that the Administrator aforesaid, give notice of the granting of Letters of Administration upon the Estate of the deceased, with the date of granting thereof, by causing advertisements to be posted within forty days from the date of such letters in six of the most public places of the County of New Castle, requiring all persons having demands against the Estate to present the same, or abide by an Act of Assembly in such case made and provided. And also cause the same to be inserted within the same period in the MIDDLETOWN TRANSCRIPT, a newspaper published in Middletown, and to be continued therein two months.

Given under the hand and Seal of Office of the Register aforesaid, at New Castle, in New Castle County aforesaid, the day and year above written.

{L. S.}

B. GIBBS, Register.

NOTICE.

All persons having claims against the Estate of the deceased must present the same duly attested to the Administrator on or before February 2d, 1875, or abide the Act of Assembly in such case made and provided. G. E. HUKILL,
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The Potato Disease and Sulphur.

A correspondent of the *Agricultural* (English) in stating his experiments with sulphur and carbolic acid, to avert the potato blight, says his success with the latter has not been very satisfactory. In reference to the use of sulphur the correspondent says:

"I can offer a note of an experiment now being tried by a gardener, under my own observation. The application of the sulphur was begun on July 12, and it has been dusted on since about six times, throwing it over the leaves plentifully from a kind of dredger, in weather sometimes wet, sometimes dry. The plants experimented on were a trial row of various kinds of potatoes, consisting of Emperor, Bread-fruit, Rose, Black Kidney, Cornish Kidney, Red-skinned Flourball and Dalmahoy, and a row of some fourteen feet of purple potato unnamed, but apparently Jersey Blue. Of these the four first kinds were dug on August 14, after the appearance of the disease in the neighborhood, and did not show any signs of it in haulm or tuber, and the stored tubers still appear perfectly sound. The Cornish Kidneys are now (August 25) thoroughly struck with the disease in the haulm, but this is a fortnight later than others of the same kind in the neighborhood, and unsulphured. The red-skinned Flourball, Dalmahoy and (doubtful) Jersey Blues, are now luxuriant in haulm, and with little sign of disease, though it has now struck the unsulphured crop in a neighboring field (of several other kinds) heavily. Of course, in a matter of this kind, one experiment is scarcely anything; still, looking at it in the mass, it appears as if the sulphur might have slightly postponed and mitigated the attack, and I particularly notice that the purple potatoes (Jersey Blues) which showed as spotted with the disease about a fortnight ago, and have been thoroughly dressed with sulphur, are still luxuriant."

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A Late Wedding Party.—At a recent wedding in Boston, it was announced that the ceremony would take place in the church at 7½ o'clock in the evening. A well-known musical gentleman was requested to preside at the organ, and, at the time appointed, opened the service with the "Wedding March." The church was filled with a large audience, but the wedding party was late. The organist played the "Wedding March" through twice, as a prelude. By the time the church bell had tolled out eight strokes, he had gone through the limited repertory of music appropriate to such an occasion, had executed a number of sacred airs in a style so rapid and novel that few, if any, in the audience recognized them, and finally, in despair, played the "Dead March in Saul," with variations of an exceedingly original nature. Still there were no signs of the wedding party, and the organist, thoroughly vexed at the delay, began and played a few measures of the air, "O, dear what can the matter be?" and closed his introduction with the "Rogue's March," to the movement of which the party, which had in the meantime arrived, passed up the broad isle to the altar.

A Western farmer has come to a very sensible conclusion as to means to be adopted to increase the price of farm products to paying figures. Wheat, beef and pork are too low in the market to be profitable to the producer. He urges that farmers must do as manufacturers do—diminish supply; "seed down one-third of our land immediately; practice economy; buy less superfluities and luxuries; do our own work; manufacture ourselves more of the common articles needed on the farm; pay our debts as soon as possible and *keep out* of debt." This Western farmer has got a good deal of sense, evidently. At least he takes a practical and sensible view of the situation. The chief kernel of gold in his advice to his brethren, however, is to "*keep out of debt.*" Hard times scarcely ever seriously affect any farmer who is not in debt. In debt, with a mortgage on his farm and store bills to pay, he is one of the most-to-be-pitied creatures in the world. He thus becomes the slave of all other classes; but out of debt he is one of the most independent and should be one of the most complacent and happiest of human beings.

A Problem.—Two men, A and B, purchased a beef for 25 dollars. A paid 15 dollars and B paid 10 dollars. After butchering the beef and selling all but one front quarter and one hind quarter, they found that these two quarters stood them 10 dollars and 50 cents, which they agreed to divide among themselves, A taking the front quarter, which weighed 67 pounds, and B the hind quarter, weighing 75 lbs. They also agree that the hind quarter is worth 1½ cents per pound more than the front quarter. How much money does A give or receive on settlement?

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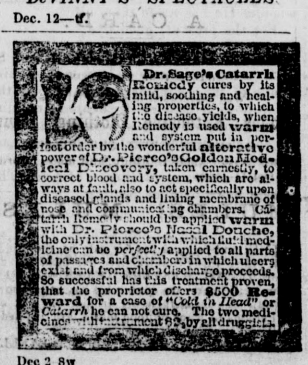

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may 13—tf

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Brokers & Real Estate Agents,

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WILL ATTEND PROMPTLY TO THE COLLECTION OF

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NEGOTIATE LOANS, PURCHASE & SELL STOCKS ON COMMISSION,

And offer for sale

Valuable Real Estate,

Comprising some of the most desirable Farms on the Peninsula.

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Monumental Marble Works

Corner Delaware and Union Streets,

NEW CASTLE, DEL.

Monuments, Marble and Enameled Slate Mantels,

Furnished at short notice, & on reasonable terms

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Sept. 4—tf

M. E. DICKSON,

No. 35½ SOUTH EIGHTH STREET,

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DEALER IN

WATCHES AND JEWELRY,

SOLID STERLING

Silver and Plated Ware

Suitable for Holiday Presents.

N. B.—Fine selection of 18 Kt. Wedding Rings on Hand.

Gold, Silver and Steel Spectacles to suit all ages.

Dec. 10—tf

Wilmington Advertisements.

REMOVAL.

The Carpet Department (formerly 220 and 222 Market St.), has been removed to Nos. 820 and 822,

MASONIC TEMPLE.

(In connection with the Dry Goods Stores). The public generally are cordially invited to visit the new departments. The change has given us largely increased facilities, greatly reduced expenses, and concentrated the whole business of Carpets and Dry Goods under one roof and under one management, saving money and time to buyers.

GRANVILLE WORRELL,

DRY GOODS, CARPETS, OIL CLOTHS, &c.,

820 AND 822 MARKET ST., MASONIC TEMPLE,

Wilmington, Del.

February 30th, 1874.

228 E. MOORE, 228

Manufacturer of FINE READY-MADE CLOTHING

FOR MEN AND BOYS.

A LARGE ASSORTMENT OF

FALL AND WINTER CLOTHING,

ON HAND, MADE UP IN THE LATEST STYLE AND BEST MANNER.

ALSO, A GREAT VARIETY OF

PIECE GOODS, for Order Work.

Apr 22—1y 228 MARKET ST. Wilmington, Del.

Peach Trees and Plants.

MIDDLETOWN

NURSERY & FRUIT FARM.

Peach Trees a Specialty.

A full supply of No. 1 PEACH TREES of the choicest staple varieties. Also, a limited quantity of Early Beatrice, which is two weeks earlier than Hale's Early, and by severe tests has proven to be one of the very best shippers in the whole lists of Peaches. A few hundred of Foster's Seedling and some other new varieties. Also

APPLE, PEAR, PLUM, CHERRY,

and other fruit trees. Silver and Sugar Maple and other shade trees. Also. Evergreen and other ornamental trees. A choice lot of Osage Orange, Small Fruit Plants, &c.

Catalogues free. Send for testimonals concerning Beatrice. Call and see or address

E. R. COCHRAN,

MIDDLETOWN, DELAWARE.

Oct 11-tf,

PEACH TREES
AND
OSAGE ORANGE PLANTS
A SPECIALTY.

THE subscriber offers to his friends and the public generally a very choice stock of

Young Peach Trees,

(grown by himself,) for the Fall of 1873 and Spring of 1874, budded from the

Best Selections

of market and family varieties. Also, a large and fine lot of Osage Orange Plants for HEDGING and a general variety of small fruit plants, all of which will be sold on *reasonable terms* to suit purchasers.

I would prefer persons (wishing to plant) to see my Peach Trees before purchasing elsewhere, for I am satisfied they will be pleased.

HENRY CLAYTON,
Mt. Pleasant,
Woodside Nursery, Aug. 17, '73. Delaware.

Fruit, Shade and Ornamental Trees
FOR SALE,
AT THE
DIAMOND STATE NURSERY.

100,000 Peach Trees, including all the best varieties. Persons wishing to purchase are requested to call and examine my stock before purchasing elsewhere.

Apple and Pear trees, Osage Orange Thorns, Asparagus Plants, Strawberry, Blackberry, Raspberry and Gooseberry Plants.

For Catalogue and Price-List, address

JAMES T. SHALLCROSS,
Nov 8-6m. Middletown, Del.

LAND MUST BE CLEARED!!!

To make room for my immense Spring planting. The best opportunity ever offered to those who want to plant apples. I now offer 200,000 No. 1 Apple Trees, 3 years old, 6 to 8 feet high.—Thrifty stock, all warranted true to name. This stock must be sold, as above, to clear the land. I therefore offer it as follows, at one-third the usual price:

12c each, $10 per 100, $80 per 1000.

Orders by mail will receive prompt attention. Catalogue of apples, and all other fruits, sent free on application. RANDOLPH PETERS,
Great Northern and Southern Nurseries,
Jan 3—3mos. Wilmington, Del.

DELAWARE CITY

PEACH TREES.

THE subscriber, having again entered into the business of raising Peach Trees for sale, offers a fine lot of assorted fruit suited for this Fall or Spring of 1874. Having previously been in the business many years, he can come before the public with confidence that the trees he sells are the kinds he represents them to be.

Hoping to share a portion of the public patronage, he will attend to all communications promptly. *SAMUEL LEWIS.*

Delaware City, October 15, 1873-tf.

GIFT ENTERPRISE

The Only Reliable Gift Distribution in the country

$100,000.00

IN VALUABLE GIFTS!!

TO BE DISTRIBUTED IN

L. D. SINE'S

43rd Semi-Annual

GIFT ENTERPRISE,

To be drawn Monday, March 30th, 1874.

Grand Capital Prize, $10,000 in Gold

One prize $5.000 in Silver.

Two Prizes $1 000
Five Prizes $500 } Greenbacks!
Ten Prizes $100 } EACH IN

1 Horse & Buggy, with silver-mounted Harness, worth $600. 1 fine-toned rosewood Piano, worth $550. 10 Family Sewing Machines, worth $100 each. 5 gold Watches and Chains, worth $300 each. 5 gold American Hunting Watches, worth $125 each. 10 Ladies' Gold Watches, $100 each. 1000 Gold and Silver Lever Hunting Watches (in all,) worth from $28 to $300 each; Coin Silver Vest Chains, Double-plated Silver-ware, Jewelry, &c. &c.

Number Gifts, 10.000 Tickets Limited to 50,000.

☞ Agents Wanted to sell Tickets, to whom Liberal Premiums will be paid. Single Tickets $2.00; Six Tickets $10 00; Twelve Tickets $20; Twenty-five Tickets $40.00.

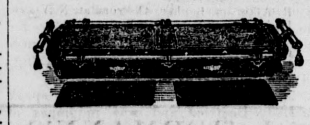
Circulars containing a full list of prizes, a description of the manner of drawing, and other information in reference to the Distribution, will be sent to any one ordering them. All letters must be addressed to

MAIN OFFICE, L. D. SINE, Box 86,
161 W. FIFTH St. CINCINNATI, O.
Feb. 21—1y.

FURNITURE.

UNDERTAKING.

UPHOLSTERING.



The undersigned respectfully announces to the citizens of Middletown and vicinity that he has on hand a large and well selected stock of handsome and durable

Walnut and Other Furniture,

which he will sell very cheap for cash. Buying at wholesale cash rates he feels assured that he can sell as low as the same goods can be bought elsewhere. By buying of him purchasers will be saved the freight on their goods from the city. He is also prepared to attend to

Undertaking Work

at short notice, and in a manner excelled by none. Persons wishing Metallic or Wooden Caskets or Cases will find it to their advantage to call on him. He has, also,

TAYLOR & SON'S
Celebrated Corpse Preserver.

The Corpse may be dressed in the finest fabrics and not be soiled, (and can be seen at all times) as nothing but dry cold air enters the Casket.

GEORGE W. WILSON,
Practical Cabinet Maker and Undertaker,
Feb1-12m Middletown Del.

C. MAISEL,
TAILOR, (From Paris),

1321 Chestnut Street,

PHILADELPHIA.

21—1y

Dry Goods and Groceries.

Popular Goods at Popular Prices.

S. M. Reynolds,

NO. 1 COCHRAN SQUARE,

Is now offering new goods direct from the manufacturers and jobbers, at the lowest

PANIC PRICES FOR CASH.

In addition to our usually large stock of Goods, we have just received

REDINGOTE GOODS,

In Fashionable Cloth Colors,

ALL-WOOL MERINOS AND CASHMERES in the new cloth shades,

CLOTHS,

COATINGS AND CASSIMERES

Job lots of Cassimeres from 40c, upwards.

KERSEYS,

12 TO 14 OUNCES, 75 CENTS TO $1.

A full assortment of Gents' Merino Vests and Drawers, from 50 cents upwards;

Ladies', Misses and Children's Merino Vests and Drawers, all sizes;

WHITE GOODS, LINENS,

AND FELT SKIRTS.

A LARGE LOT OF ALL WOOL 10-4

BLANKETS,

$4.00, $5.00, AND $6.00.

Our stock of Boots

Has never been equalled in this town. Prices, $3.50, $4.00, $4.50, $5.00. We would call special attention to our 16 and 18-inch leg home-made STOGA BOOTS; also,

French Kip Primes and French Calf.

300 PAIRS LADIES', MISSES' AND CHILDREN'S SHOES,

Just received from the manufacturers. Our stock

OF GROCERIES

Is full and complete.

PRICES LOW AS THE LOWEST

We invite buyers who are in search of

NEW FALL STYLES,

to call on us and examine the largest stock in the State south of Wilmington. And bear in mind the fact that we still adhere to the system which we inaugurated of

DISCOUNTING ALL CASH SALES,

ON DRY GOODS 10 PER CENT.
" GROCERIES 5 " "

HOLIDAY PRESENTS

IN GREAT VARIETY.

RUSSIA LEATHER GOODS,

WRITING DESKS,

STEREOSCOPES,

CHROMOS,

Brackets of all Kinds,

Picture Frames

OF EVERY STYLE.

FINE LOT OF STATIONERY, &c.

We have this year made a specialty of Holiday Goods of all kinds, which we offer to our patrons at prices to suit the times.

D. L. DUNNING,

NO. 2, TOWN HALL,

MIDDLETOWN, DELAWARE.

MARKET HOUSE.

The undersigned would respectfully announce to the public and the citizens of Middletown particularly that he has taken the store-house on North Broad street, Middletown, Del., formerly occupied by David W. Eliason, having bought out his interest, where I will keep always on hand a well-selected stock of choice Groceries, Fruits, and Provisions, as well as a full supply of fresh Vegetables. Also. Fresh and Salt Meat, sliced, at all times. I will also keep an assortment of the

VERY BEST GROCERIES,

at very low prices. My stock will consist of the very best articles that the market can afford, and will give entire satisfaction to the most fastidious epicure. I will keep on hand a supply of Sauces of all kinds, viz: Ketchup, Celery, Horse-Radish. Canned Fruits of all kinds at low prices. Call and see and you will be satisfied. All kinds of Produce bought and satisfaction guaranteed. I will also buy all kinds of Poultry at market prices for CASH, and it will be to the interest of all to call on me before selling or purchasing elsewhere. ☞ Goods delivered free of charge.

Oct 11-1y S. S. HOLTEN.